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## B. P. O. E. Minstrel.

The Elks minstrel as seen at the Gehling Thursday night was certainly all that could be expected, and the universal opinion by all was that it was one of the best entertainments ever put on in our city by local talent. As advertised it was "A Blaze of Glory."

The first part was made up of the usual minstrel circle with six end men and a large chorus and their allotted jokes and songs.

Simon Davies, who is always a favorite, sang "Consolation" in a most pleasing manner and was forced to respond to an encore. The Prater Sisters in their rendition of "San Antonio" made a decided hit and were called back twice before the audience were satisfied.

Miss Jessie Paxton, whose sweet voice is gaining for her a wide reputation sang "As Long as the World Rolls on" in a manner that was a decided surprise to those who had not heard her before. This was Miss Jessie's first appearance on the public stage and the ease with which she faced her audience was remarkable. Her friends are prophesying great things for her in the musical world. The first part closed with the song "When I Can't eat Chicken I'm Sick," by J. M. Jellison.

The opening number in the second part was just the very best novelty in a bunch of little girls in a well drilled chorus giving their ideas of "The Bogie Man." This was followed by "The Fascinating Whistling Girl" a chorus by nine boys. Both of these numbers were greatly enjoyed.

Too much cannot be said of little Dewey, who is called the watchcharm comedian. For a child of ten years he cannot be surpassed, both as a singer and dancer. He favored the audience with several pleasing specialties and was called before the curtain many times.

One of the most pleasing acts was the club swinging and acrobatic work of Harry V. Gelder, a traveling man who came from Omaha purposely to help the Elks in this entertainment. Mr. Gelder, is far famed as an athlete and also as a physical culture instructor and his club swinging on Thursday night was by far the best ever witnessed in this city.

The program closed with buck dancing by Messrs. Jellison, Nunn and Master Dewey, and the curtain went down on an entertainment in every way pleasing to all.

## NOTES

Prof. Nunn proved himself a minstrel man who can class himself among the top notchers.

As a poet Sid Spence is alright.

Messrs. Jellison, Baker, Little, Spence, Whitaker and Schock would compare favorably with any professional.

George Hall of Verdon occupied a seat in the chorus circle.

Mr. Nunn and Master Dewey made many warm friends during their stay here.

The orchestra was good and added much to the success of the entertainment.

There was not as large a crowd as the show deserved, which fact is due in part to the Lenten season.

The Elks will realize about \$100 from the entertainment.

## The City Campaign.

"Too many cooks spoil the broth," has been an adage ever since cooks have fallen into the habit of spoiling anything. Falls City has its full quota of broth makers and they have all been working about the same kettle for the past three weeks. Every man has insisted on his preference and has been equally insistent on his personal opposition. The result is a mixture that makes the celebrated Duke's look like baled alfalfa, and a confusion that puts the tower of Babel clear outside the money. "Many citizens" called a convention and the court house was packed with voters. The result is that the citizens party has no candidate for councilman in the first ward, indorsed the prohibition candidate for councilman in the second ward, indorsed the young men's candidate for Mayor, and has a candidate for councilman in the third ward of its own.

It must not be understood that the citizens convention did not try to get a ticket of its own, for it did. It nominated Warren Hutchins for councilman in the first ward, but War. couldn't see it in that way. He resigned and proceeded to side step the honor. The committee appointed to fill vacancies couldn't get together, each member had his idea of broth making; the result is the vacancy is unfilled. Albert Maust, the candidate on the young men's ticket, likewise resigned and his place is supplied by W. S. Leyda. This produces a contest between Geo. Reichers, prohibition, and W. S. Leyda, young men's candidate. Rumor has it that some members of the prohibition party will vote for Leyda, and some license men will vote for Reichers.

In the second ward the citizens convention unanimously indorsed John Benschoter, prohibition, for councilman. Some of the cooks didn't like this seasoning, so they nominated Ferd Harlow by petition. The result of all this cross firing is interminable confusion. The voters are trying to find where "they are at." Who's who in this campaign is a question that has worn the throat of Vax Populi into shreds. And the end is not yet.

The campaign for Mayor is about the only quiet thing in the contest. Both candidates are attending strictly to their own affairs and are leaving the issue solely with the voters without attempting in any way to influence the result. The News has declared for Mr. Windle and speaks highly in his praise, all of which is deserved. But, with its usual good taste, it uses a few ugly innuendoes that might require some reply if our people did not know the situation as it is, and if they did not know the News. Mr. Abbey is so well known, his business ability and independent integrity are so generally admitted that his election seems reasonably certain. The voters seem insistent on a business administration and refuse to be influenced by any collateral matters. Falls City should go ahead. It is time that we throw off this lethargy, to substitute the general good for personal welfare. It is generally conceded that Mr. Abbey's election would go far towards accomplishing this result. That he will give the office his earnest attention and his best business ability goes without saying, for he is that kind of man. That he would be his own master in administering the affairs of the city is not questioned by any one. These are among the many reasons why the

voters are supporting him without regard to party.

Take it all in all, notwithstanding the confused situation, this is the quietest city campaign we have had for many years. There is less of personal abuse, fewer occasions for ill feeling than ordinarily, and unless some of the narrow and spiteful brethren see fit to inject something of venom into the fight, there will be no soreness, no bitterness over the result. This is as it should be. There is no occasion for charges, insinuation or personal bitterness. Every candidate is a good, loyal citizen of this city. Every man nominated is a moral and upright man. Nothing but littleness of spirit on the part of some of our citizens can produce any unpleasant features. For years we have been deploring factions, personal enmity, and have been hoping for a united community. Let's see to it that the men or men who try to stir up the old row or to create a new one are brought to the realization that Falls City wants peace and not strife, unity and not division.

## The Council's Duty.

A great many trees will be planted in the park on Arbor day. Many of the schools, lodges and clubs are contemplating setting out shade trees on that day. If there is no one present to indicate where these trees should be set, disorder in arrangement will surely result. A competent landscape gardener should be employed and some general plan of beautifying the park should be adopted. This should be done before Arbor day and some person should be in the park on that day to supervise the planting of trees. This could be done at a nominal expense and after years would justify such expenditure.

## Elks Elect Officers.

The election of officers of the Elks lodge for the ensuing year was held Friday night with the following result:

C. F. Reavis, Exalted Ruler; Roy Heacock, E. Lecturing Knight; Dr. Reneker, E. Loyal Knight; Jack Higgins, E. Leading Knight; Lloyd Gianinni, Tyler; Wm. Shock, Sec'y; Guy Greenwald, Treasurer. A. J. Weaver was elected a member of the board of trustees for the two year term and Dick James was elected delegate to the Grand lodge at Omaha.

The lodge has appointed a committee to co-operate with the trustees in determining the advisability of building their own home. It is believed that a fine structure will soon be erected.

## Get Rich Quick.

Talk about your get rich quick schemes just look at this. John Casson, a farmer living north-west of this city, fed forty-two head of cattle just a little over five months and then sold them for \$100 apiece. How would you like to be a stockman?

Here is another one: Gus Duerfeldt bought 24 head of cattle about the same time as the above gentleman, although not quite so heavy, and did not feed them as long, and sold them Monday on the Kansas City market for \$6.25 per hundred.

A First National bank is not in it with cattle raising.

## Lenten Services.

Following are the services next week at St. Thomas church: Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—Reading. Wednesday, 7:30 a. m.—Holy Eucharist. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Address, "The Prayer Book." Friday, 7:30 p. m.—Address, "Church History."

## Society News.

A crowd of young people enjoyed a dance at the Elks' hall Monday evening. Splendid music being furnished by a trio of colored musicians.

The Friends in Council met with Miss Minnie McDonald for a short business session last Friday evening. The program was postponed indefinitely.

The ladies of the Cemetery auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. John W. Holt next Monday afternoon at 2:30. All interested are requested to be present.

The Woman's Auxiliary of St. Thomas church will serve a 15-cent Missionary tea next Thursday evening from 5 to 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. T. L. Himelreich. Everybody invited.

The young folks who took part in the Elk minstrel were pleasantly entertained at the Elk parlors Thursday afternoon, in appreciation of their efforts in making the entertainment a success. The affair was under the supervision of J. M. Jellison, who included a liberal treat of candy and fruit as a feature of the program.

## Club Delegates.

The following ladies represented the different clubs of this city at the meeting in Humboldt Wednesday and Thursday of this week:

Sorosis—Mrs. C. Banks and Mrs. J. J. Morris.

Shakespeare—Mrs. John Gilligan and Mrs. Isham Reaves.

Friends in Council—Miss Sallie Schoenheit and Miss Jennie Keim.

The Tribune hopes to give its readers a detailed report of this meeting in our next issue.

## Hotel Porters Mix.

Last Thursday evening the porters of the Union and National hotels indulged in a little fistie encounter, which compelled them to go before Judge Fallstead to settle their difficulties. While there "Doc" of the National resumed hostilities against Pat of the Union, and was immediately given a thirty days jail sentence. Later this sentence was commuted to a cash fine, which was paid by his boss, and now everything is running along smoothly.

## A Close Call.

Last Friday evening the 10-year old son of Earl Lemon, living south of town, had a very close call from what might have been a serious accident. He with some little friends were playing with a 22-calibre revolver, which in some manner they had gained possession of, when it was discharged, the bullet striking the little fellow in the stomach. Dr. Reneker was called to dress the wound, which is healing nicely. The small size of the weapon is all that saved the boy from serious injury and possibly death.

## Artificial Arm a Success.

Ed Smith arrived home Friday from Minneapolis, where he has been for the past few weeks for the purpose of having a pair of artificial arms made, and his many friends will be pleased to know that the arms are a success, even beyond all expectations, and Ed is the happiest boy in the land since he is once more able to care for himself, and the many who contributed to this worthy cause may feel well repaid by the happiness they have been instrumental in bringing about.

## Inspector Visits Falls City.

The state building inspector is making a tour of the state and was in the city Tuesday. He inspected our public buildings and left very well satisfied, after offering a few suggestions as to fire precautions, which will be acted upon at once.

## Died

UNLAND.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Cantt, of this city, Mrs. Nancy R. Unland passed to her rest at the age of 71 years.

Her husband, Rev. Fred Unland, was called to his reward May 12th last, at the home in Humboldt, and since that time, while Grandma has always retained the home, she has visited her children in their various homes, and in February came here for another visit with her daughter and family. She was taken ill and some ten days later was stricken with paralysis, gradually growing weaker until the summons came.

For more than thirty years Rev. Fred Unland was pastor of various German M. E. churches in this part of Nebraska. Together they passed through the hardships of frontier life, never losing sight of the fact that where duty calls they should show a willingness to go. There's was certainly a useful life, spent in an endeavor, by precept and example, to better the condition of the human race. What a high calling and how faithfully performed by this worthy couple, can best be told by a multitude of time honored friends in the west end of this county, where they have made their home during their declining years.

An all wise Providence did not allow the separation below to be of long duration, and according to their faith they are again united until time shall be no more.

Funeral services will be held from the German M. E. church at Humboldt, Friday, and the remains laid to rest beside her life companion in the cemetery west of that place.

The following children mourn the loss of a faithful, Christian mother: Mrs. A. E. Cantt of this city, Mrs. Carrie Harvey of Plymouth, Neb.; W. E. Unland, Lincoln; Ben Unland and Mrs. Nellie Davis, Lincoln; Louis Unland, Rock Falls, Ill., and Richard S. Unland of Kansas City.

## SMITH.

Ethel Winifred Smith was born January 6th, 1895, and passed from earth to heaven March 30th, 1908, aged 13 years, 2 months and 20 days.

She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, and while petted and indulged beyond measure, she remained utterly unspoiled, the sunshine of the home circle, proving by her loving obedience and unselfish ways the sweetness of her disposition. Mature beyond her years, she proved the most companionable of companions to the frail, delicate mother of whom she took the tenderest care, while her sunny smile and merry ways made her the god of her father's heart.

While her health had been poor for some time, it was scarcely forty-eight hours before her death that her parents realized her danger, and while all that loving hands and skilled physicians could do was done, it was all in vain, and without a sigh the tired eyes closed forever, the heart was still and darling Ethel passed through the gate of pearl into the city where sorrow and anguish are unknown and the weeping parents can treasure in their hearts the Master's words, "she is not dead but sleepeth."

The funeral sermon was delivered by Rev. Payne at the Bethany church and the remains buried in Heime cemetery.

A loving one from us is gone, a voice forever hushed, a vacant place within our home which never can be filled. God in His wisdom has recalled the boon His love has given. And though her body moulders here her spirit rests in heaven.

—Contributed.

## Marriage License

Elisha C. Pruett, Barada.....43  
Viola J. Johnson, Barada.....45  
Elmer E. Nott, White Cloud, Kans. 22  
Ada Agnes Banks, White Cloud, Kan. 23  
Edwin S. Updike, Merna.....41  
Lydia Harmon, Shubert.....40  
Oscar H. Walton, Traer, Kans.....29  
Ruby Thomas, Traer, Kans.....18

## Does It Interest You?

One of the most delightful things on earth, delightful to the spiritual as well as the physical sense, is a well-kept town. A beautiful lawn here and an unsightly trash heap there just over the fence gives the observer the same sort of mental shock that would be experienced at the sight of a ragged-edged petticoat showing beneath a fine silk dress.

A few neat and carefully planned lawns do not make a whole town, and the unkempt ones cannot be hidden. One fine lawn in the midst of surrounding weed patches may be a thing of beauty and pleasure in itself, but it is like hanging a Raphael in the woodshed.

The "Beautiful America" articles have not been overdone. Indeed not! They are only half done, and they will never be well done until every yard in the whole town is neat and clean, until every pile of tin-cans and rubbish, old boards and ashes are carted away, and the smallest and poorest lawn is orderly in every corner and to the middle of the street in front.

For those who are at all interested in this subject, there are any number of good books—Powell's Country Home and the Orchard and Fruit Garden; Bailey's Garden Making; Ely, Woman's Hardy Garden; The Garden Library; Mrs. Wright's Garden of a Commuter's Wife and Garden, You and I. Besides these magazines are common means of inspiration if not information, and in the spring numbers, the pictures alone are sufficient to cause anyone to want a lawn beautiful.—Contributed.

## Trees, Trees.

A great many people have expressed a willingness to donate trees for the city park. This kindly feeling is surely appreciated by this administration. Beginning Saturday, April 4th, and continuing all of the following week, we will have a man at the park to receive these trees. Every one living within a radius of ten miles should feel an interest in beautifying the City Park, and for this reason we shall expect a tree from every one, and if you feel like bringing more than one do so. This refers to children the same as older people, so little ones get busy and bring us a tree.

PARK COMMITTEE.

## House Ransacked.

Mrs. Marcum, who lives in a little cottage south of E. S. Towle's residence, spent Monday in Lincoln, and when she returned at midnight it was to find her house had been entered during her absence and a great many things taken. Everything had been ransacked. Most of her groceries were taken, together with a nice supply of canned fruit.

There is no clew as to the thieves, but all evidence points to local talent.

Mrs. James Ramsey and Mrs. Will Ramsey went to St. Joe yesterday for a few days visit.

Clyde Chuseman of Mound City, Mo., was a business visitor to our city the latter part of last week.

J. E. Stephenson and family spent Sunday and Monday near Verdon at the home of Roy Swisegood and family.

Mrs. Smith was quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. I. N. Lyon, the first of the week, but is now much improved.

About fifty of our people left Wednesday to attend the Teacher's Institute and club meeting in Beatrice and Humboldt.

Daisy Gantt came down from Lincoln Saturday, and is now suffering with rheumatism at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Miller.

John Crook, wife and little daughter went to Omaha Sunday afternoon. Mr. Crook went from there on a business trip to Minneapolis, while his wife remains in Omaha for a week's visit.